

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

522. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

- (1) What progress has been made in finding a new Chief Executive Officer for the Department of Conservation and Land Management?
- (2) How long has this position been vacant since the resignation of Dr Wally Cox?
- (3) When does the Minister expect to be in a position to announce his replacement?

Hon TOM STEPHENS replied:

- (1)-(3) Dr Wally Cox retired from the Public Service on 13 July 2001. The selection process following advertisement of the position in August 2001 has been completed and the Minister for Public Sector Management has determined that an appointment to the position will not be made. Mr Keiran McNamara, who has acted in the position since 14 July 2001, has been advised that he will continue to act for a further 12 months beyond expiry of his current acting appointment on 13 April 2002.